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Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire
Chief Clerk & Administrator
Public Service Commission of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210

RE: Application for Approval to Issue and Sell Securities
Docket No. 2020-202-E

Dear Ms. Boyd:

By this letter the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") hereby notifies the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") that ORS has reviewed the Application for Approval to Issue and Sell Securities ("Application") filed by Duke Energy Carolinas ("DEC" or "Company") in Docket No. 2020-202-E. In this Application, the Company is seeking to issue and sell a maximum of \$4 billion in aggregate principal amount of any or a combination of the following securities: Long-Term Debt Securities; Long-Term Bank Borrowings; Tax Exempt Bond Obligations; and Finance Lease Obligations. DEC has disclosed that the proposed securities will be used for four general purposes: (1) the purchase or redemption of the Company's outstanding higher cost securities; (2) refunding maturing securities; (3) financing ongoing construction; or (4) for the Company's general purposes as allowable.

ORS has no objection to this request for authorization to issue and sell securities and recommends approval of the filing submitted by the Company.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey M. Nelson

cc: All Parties of Record (via e-mail)
David Butler, Esquire (via e-mail)